





## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

In assembling at the Capitol for the purpose

FINANCES.

REVENUE PROPER.

Total valuation for 1858,	\$464,928,81
Total valuation for 1859.	493,409,36

Total receipts for the year 1858. \$1,065,001 1

Making	\$1,105,143.00
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Balance in Treasury 10th Octo	
ber 1858	\$36 727 5

Making,	\$1,020,350
Expenses for the year 1934	223,857

tober, 1859, - \$136,463 4

School Fund,	571 96
Stinking Fund	134 701 02

The last year's revenue is not collected as

tor it is all in a proper train to be closed, an

The balance on the 10th October, 1859, in the

ment, as above stated, is \$208,055.25. The

the whole amount of the Sinking Fund propo

Total receipts for the year 1858, \$144,905 00

Making,	\$664,004
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October, 1858,	\$11,163
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Expenses for the year 1859,	105,985
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Add that due from Revenue Depart

414,321

It is the opinion of the Auditor that this

Sinking Fund are as follows:

Bank of Kentucky

Tax on the capital stock of the Southern Bank of Kentucky.

23. Dividends on 4,000 shares stock in Bu  
of Kentucky.

Dividends on 2,500 shares stock in Northern Bank.

3d. Dividends on state stock in Turnpike road and profits on works of internal improvement.

Bank of Kentucky.  
Dividends on 406 shares stock in Boul

slack water improvements  
 15th. Lease of the Penitentiary

9th. Interest on loan to Keeper of Kentucky Penitentiary.

11th. Redemption of forfeited lauds and escheat  
11th. Interest on \$74,510.50 bonds in Railr

fort and Lexington Railroad Company  
Title: Expense in the Treasury, 1890-1891.

Railroad.

the principal and interest of the State debt.

ment of the bonds of the State which fall due  
the 1st day of January next, and the means

will be promptly done. The balance which remain should be devoted to the extinguish-

it to individuals under the act referred to, and the banks. It is of the first importance to

The following is a statement of the interest on the State debt due semi-annually:

Description of Bond.	Original issue.	Am't redeemed.	Amount unredeemed.
1, 1845, to holders of Lex & Ohio R. R. bonds, under act of March 1, 44, payable 15 or 30 years after date, at the pleasure of the State, bearing 6 per cent. interest N. Y.	150,000 00	34,000 00	\$116,000 00
245 issued from 7th Oct. 1840, to 15th June, 1848, to holders of 6 per cent bonds and others, under act of Feb. 23, 1848, at the pleasure of the State, bearing 6 per cent. interest N. Y., under the several acts chartering said bank, bearing 6 per cent. interest.	9,000 00	13,000 00	127,000 00
Bonds held by the Board of Education.	600,000 00	-	600,000 00
Bond for unpaid county, distributed by Board of Education, issued 23d Aug. 1855, & held by the Board of Education.	1,326,770 01	-	1,326,770 01
Bonds issued for unpaid county, distributed by Board of Education, issued 21st Feb. 1857, & held by Board of Education.	42,894 72	-	42,894 72
Bonds issued for unpaid county, distributed by Board of Education, issued 21st Feb. 1857, & held by Board of Education.	12,167 30	-	12,167 30
Total.	6,255,232 03	777,000 00	\$5,478,232 03
* Due in 1860. † Due in 1861.			
Amount of 6 per cent. debt due and outstanding.			\$412 00
Amount of 5 per cent. bonds unredeemed.			474,000 00
Amount of 6 per cent. bonds unredeemed.			1,023,000 00
Amount of Southern Bank issue, for stock in said bank.			500,000 00
Amount of bonds held by Board of Education, composed as follows, to wit: eight bonds of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:			
No. 1. At thirty y's date, bearing 6 per cent. interest, dated August 9, 1840.			\$24,000 00
No. 20. At thirty y's date, bearing 6 per cent. interest, dated January 16, 1840.			21,500 00
No. 21. At thirty y's date, bearing 6 per cent. interest, dated January 1, 1840.			22,000 00
No. 22. At thirty-five years date, bearing 5 per cent. interest, dated January 18, 1840.			200,000 00
No. 23. At thirty-five years date, bearing 5 per cent. interest, dated January 22, 1840.			170,000 00
No. 24. At thirty-five years date, bearing 5 per cent. interest, dated January 22, 1840.			180,000 00
No. —. Bearing 5 per cent. interest from January 1, 1848, and made payable at the pleasure of the Legislature, and dated December 20, 1848.			302,266 45
No. —. Amount of bond issued for balance due for interest on State bonds, and name dated July 5, 1850, and made payable at the pleasure of the Legislature, and to bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum from January 1, 1850.			101,000 50
Bonds issued by the Governor for surplus due the several counties, dated 23d August, 1855, held by Board of Education.			42,894 72
Bond issued by the Governor for surplus due the several counties, dated 21st February, 1857, held by Board of Education.			12,167 30
			\$5,479,244 00
In summing up the means which the State has to meet her indebtedness, amounting to \$5,479,244 00, if they could now be applied to that purpose, I present the following statement:			
Stock in Bank of Kentucky,		\$939,900 10	
Stock in Northern Bank of Kentucky,		290,000 00	
Stock in Bank of Louisville,		40,600 00	
Stock in Southern Bank of Kentucky,		600,000 00	
		\$1,870,500 10	
Stock in Frankfort and Lexington Railroad Co., equal, say, to,		217,800 00	
Bonds on Louisville and Frankfort Railroad Company,		74,510 00	
		\$2,162,810 10	
Balance in Treasury belonging to Sinking Fund, 10th Oct. 1859,		758,283 30	
		\$2,921,102 40	
We have, in addition to this, the investments made by the State in turnpike roads, rivers, &c., the present value of which is uncertain, amounting in the aggregate to,		\$1,830,474 00	
COMMON SCHOOLS.			
The Common School System is a flourishing condition in most of the State, and promises to meet the most sanguine expectations of its friends. It is the first duty of a State to educate its children, and this system should be cherished and nurtured and perfected to the highest possible degree. The laws upon the subject should be carefully revised and simplified, and as the Superintendent doubtless will visit every portion of the State so as to test the practical workings of the system, and if enabled from personal observation, the more certainly to suggest remedies for any defects, we may expect much in the future from one so eminently qualified in the position, and whose efforts, and whose talents and attainments, are so deeply devoted to the cause of education. Believing the measure it should be increased, I recommend a change of some of the laws regulating fines and forfeitures, and that a law be passed applying at least one half of all sums collected on account of them to the Common School Fund. Under the present custom of petitioning the executive to remit them—a custom that seems to have the sanction of a majority of the communities that impose them—the law, as it exists, seems to be a farce, and very little is realized beyond the amount necessary to secure the vigilant and efficient action of the commonwealth's attorneys, and very slight, if any restraints, is imposed upon the offenders. Nearly every petition presents strong reasons for executive interference, sworn to, backed by strong affidavits, appeals to sympathy and by letters, and the signatures of some of the most respectable and influential men in the neighborhood, and often the Judges, commonwealth's attorneys, and others who impose them. As the custom is, the law is a farce, and I recommend a change. The fiscal year ends 31st December for common schools, and there is no report for this year yet; but I give it the 10th October last. I allow you have a statement of amounts received and expended for years '57, '58, and '59, up to 10th October, with the number of children in school during those years:			
SCHOOL FUND.			
Receipts for year ending 31st December, 1857, including balance of the previous year,			\$329,285 00







